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IN RE APPLICATION OF
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the Title, insert:

-- This is a divisional of Ser. No. 09/585,743, June 2, 2000, pending, which is a division of Ser. No. 09/072,278, May 4, 1998, pending, which is a continuation of Ser. No. 08/532,837, October 5, 1995, abandoned, which is a 371 of PCT/EP94/01006. March 30. 1994. --

IN THE CLAIMS:

~~Cancel~~ claims 1-14 and add claims 15-~~18~~:

- 15. (new) A monoclonal antibody capable of specifically recognizing a rapamycin.
16. (new) A monoclonal antibody of claim 15 capable of recognizing an epitope on the FKBP-binding portion of a rapamycin.
17. (new) A monoclonal antibody of claim 15 capable of recognizing an epitope on the effector portion of a rapamycin.
18. (new) A monoclonal antibody of claim 15, obtained or obtainable by: